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New U.S. Patent Application

Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR INTEGRATING ELECTRONIC  
STORAGE FACILITIES

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and  
Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application- 36 pages, including 3 independent claims and 18 claims total.
2. Drawings- 7 sheets of drawings (Figures 1-7).
3. Request for Non-Publication of Application and Certification Under 35 U.S.C.  
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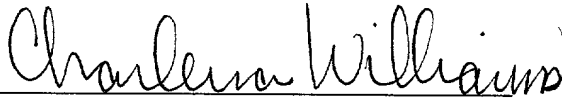
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Respectfully submitted,

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1. Application Transmittal Letter (3 pgs.)
2. Application, 36 pgs. (including 3 independent claims and 18 claims total)
3. Drawings, 7 sheets (Figs. 1 - 7)
4. Receipt Postcard (1 pg.)
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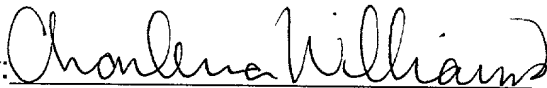
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